the State of Nagaland. The number of projects set up under this Programme as on 31.3.2002 in the North Eastern Region is given below:—

State	Number of Projects
Arunachal Pradesh	317
Assam	425
Manipur	623
Meghalaya	2784
Mizoram	732
Nagaland	4665
Tripura	48

(c) The details of Margin Money utilised under the REGP for the last three years are given as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

State	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
Arunachal Pradesh	6.00	30.00	11.21
Assam	15.78	67.94	142.51
Manipur	15.00	-	2.98
Meghalaya	75.93	53.12	110.50
Mizoram	23.00	-	16.83
Nagaland	4.32	180.74	168.89
Tripura	1.14	7.17	49.54

Khadi Gramodyog Commission

†*2981. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Khadi and Gramodyog Commission encourages people for establishing cottage industries in rural areas;

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of units of such cottage industries established after getting incentive from the said Commission till the end of October, 2002, State-wise;

(d) the number of people who have been provided employment in such units, State-wise; and

(e) the number of sick cottage industries and the action proposed to be taken by Government for revival of such units during the years 2001-02 and 2003-04, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is implementing the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) throughout the country to promote Khadi and Village Industries including cottage industries. Under this scheme, 25% of project cost is provided as margin money for projects costing upto Rs. 10 lakhs. For project cost above Rs. 10 lakhs and upto Rs. 25 lakh, the rate of margin money is 25% of Rs. 10 Lakh plus 10% of the balance cost of the project. For weaker sections, margin money is given at the rate of 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the balance amount (upto Rs. 25 lakh), it is 10%. This scheme is being implemented through Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks and on a selective basis through Cooperative Banks and Private Sector Scheduled Commercial Banks etc.

(c) and (d) The number of units set up and employment generated under REGP scheme till October 2002, is given at Statement. (*See* below)

(e) No such information is maintained centrally. However, the Government on 14.5.2001, has announced a special package for the promotion and development of Khadi and Village Industries (KVI) including loss making industries. The package consists of Rebate Policy for Khadi for five years, option between rebate and Market Development Assistance (MDA), Insurance cover to Khadi artisans, emphasis on improvement of Khadi Products, creation of packaging and design facilities, measures to promote marketing, brand building, cluster development, technology

upgradation, quality control, marketing through publicity and advertisement etc. The package is under different phases of implementation.

Statement

State-wise project financed and employment upto October 2002 (provisional) under REGP

S.No.	States/Union Territories	Projects financed	Employment (persons in lakhs)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10141	1.41
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	337	0.03
3.	Assam	538	0.07
4.	Bihar	587	0.04
5.	Goa	2027	0.16
6.	Gujarat	701	0.04
7.	Haryana	3783	0.57
8.	Himachal Pradesh	1088	0.19
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	5900	0.41
10.	Karnataka	10616	0.90
11.	Kerala	5849	0.67
12.	Madhya Pradesh	16878	1.45
13.	Maharashtra	16917	1.44
14.	Manipur	624	0.11
15.	Meghalaya	2903	0.20
16.	Mizoram	801	0.09
17.	Nagaland	4668	0.95
18.	Orissa	1624	0.15
19.	Punjab	7829	0.90
20.	Rajasthan	20500	0.90
21.	Sikkim	33	0.00
22.	Tamil Nadu	3619	0.33
23.	Tripura	155	0.05
24.	Uttar Pradesh	11962	1.75
25.	West Bengal	11725	0.64
26.	Andaman &Nicobar	162	0.00
27.	Chandigarh	139	0.01
28.	Dadra Nagar Haveli	8	0.00

S.No.	State/Union Territories	Projects financed	Employment (persons in lakhs)
29.	Delhi	203	0.03
30.	Lakshdweep	0	0.00
31.	Pondicherry	899	0.11
32.	Chhattisgarh	306	0.09
33.	Jharkhand	247	0.01
34.	Uttaranchal	823	0.07
36.	Thro C.O. (Banks)	3543	0.50
	TOTAL:	148202	15.46

Rural Employment Guarantee Programme

†2982. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are implementing Rural Employment Guarantee Programme in the country;

(b) if so, the States where above said programme was launched during the Ninth Plan; and

(c) the achievements made during the said period, the amount spent thereon as well as the estimates made for the same during the Tenth Plan, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

National Programme on Rural Industrialization

2983. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the National Programme on Rural Industrialization in the industrially backward districts of Rajasthan; and

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